

Docket No. 207187US2



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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN RE APPLICATION OF: Sakae ISHIKAWA, et al.

GAU: 3653

SERIAL NO: 09/848,764

EXAMINER: Michael E. BUTLER

RCE FILED: August 31, 2005

FOR: METHOD OF AND SYSTEM FOR MANAGING RACK OPERATION, METHOD OF AND SYSTEM FOR MANAGING MULTISTAGE RACK, ARTICLE CONVEYANCE AND STORAGE DEVICE, AND COMPUTER PRODUCT

NOTICE OF APPEAL

COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS
ALEXANDRIA, VIRGINIA 22313

SIR:

Applicants hereby appeal to the Board of Appeals from the decision dated May 30, 2006.

The items checked below are appropriate:

- A Petition for Extension of Time Under 37 C.F.R. §1.136 was filed for months.
- A timely response to the final rejection has been filed, as provided in 841 O.G. 1411.
- A Petition for Extension of Time for filing the Notice of Appeal is attached.
- A Pre-Appeal Brief Request for Review is attached.

Fee: \$500.00

- Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27.
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- Charge to Deposit Account No. 15-0030 (an additional copy of this notice is enclosed herewith).
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